

together. He knows that principled compromise isn't capitulation, but how democracy is supposed to work. He will be sorely missed in the Illinois Senate.

Despite his many achievements, his proudest accomplishment is his family. John and Joan still live on their family farm in Rushville where they raised four children. Matthew, Mark, Luke, and Emily. And let me tell you, Emily inherited some good public service genes—I am indebted to John and Joan for letting her work in my Washington office.

I will close with this. On the wall in John's Senate office was a photograph of his dad, along with the advice he gave him. He told John: "Don't forget the little guy." Throughout his career, he has never forgotten the little guys—family farmers, small business owners, and hard-working people wondering how they will send their children to college or retire with dignity. John has stood with them and been their champion. Now, as he enters the next chapter in his life, I want to wish him and

Joan many years of happiness and the best of luck with the family business and family farm.

FISCAL YEAR 2017 ENFORCEMENT FILING

Mr. ENZI. Mr. President, S. Con. Res. 3, the fiscal year 2017 congressional budget resolution, included an instruction to the chairman of the Senate Committee on the Budget to file enforceable levels in the Senate in the event the budget was agreed to without the need to appoint a committee of conference on the measure. On Thursday, January 12, 2017, the Senate passed the budget by a vote of 51–48. On Friday, January 13, 2017, the House of Representatives passed the budget without changes on a vote of 227–198. As such, today I wish to submit the required filing found in the resolution.

Specifically, section 4001 of the fiscal year 2017 congressional budget resolution requires the chairman to file: No. 1, an allocation for fiscal year 2017 for

the Committee on Appropriations; and No. 2, an allocation for fiscal years 2017, 2017 through 2021, and 2017 through 2026 for committees other than the Committee on Appropriations.

The figures included in this filing are consistent with the spending limits set forth in the Budget Control Act of 2011, as amended by the Bipartisan Budget Act of 2015, and the levels included in S. Con. Res. 3.

For purposes of enforcing the Senate's pay-as-you-go rule, which is found in section 201 of S. Con. Res. 21, the fiscal year 2008 congressional budget resolution, I am resetting the Senate's scorecard to zero for all fiscal years.

All years in the accompanying tables are fiscal years.

I ask unanimous consent that the tables detailing enforcement in the Senate be printed in the RECORD.

There being no objection, the material was ordered to be printed in the RECORD, as follows:

ALLOCATION OF SPENDING AUTHORITY TO SENATE COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS FOR FISCAL YEAR 2017

(\$ billions)

	Budget Authority	Outlays
Appropriations:		
Revised Security Category Discretionary Budget Authority ¹	557.015	n/a
Revised Nonsecurity Category Discretionary Budget Authority ¹	526.951	n/a
General Purpose Outlays ¹	n/a	1,187.014
Memo:		
Subtotal	1,083.966	1,187.014
on-budget	1,078.487	1,181.466
off-budget	5.479	5.548
Mandatory	1,018.836	1,006.323

¹ The allocation will be adjusted following the reporting of bills, offering of amendments, or submission of conference reports that qualify for adjustments to the discretionary spending limits as outlined in section 251(b) of the Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985 (BBEDCA).

Note: This allocation is consistent with the statutory limits imposed by the Budget Control Act of 2011, as amended. Regular appropriations assumed in this allocation total \$551.068 billion in revised security category discretionary budget authority and \$518.531 billion in revised nonsecurity category discretionary budget authority. The allocation assumes \$1,181,800 in general purpose outlays stemming from those regular appropriations amounts. This allocation also includes the cap adjustments that occurred in calendar year 2016 for full-year spending for fiscal year 2017, pursuant to Section 251 of BBEDCA and Sections 302 and 314 of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974. Details of those adjustments can be found in the Congressional Record for May 12, 2016, May 26, 2016, June 27, 2016, September 2, 2016, and December 9, 2016.

ALLOCATION OF SPENDING AUTHORITY TO SENATE COMMITTEES OTHER THAN APPROPRIATIONS

(\$ billions)

	2017	2017–2021	2017–2026
Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry:			
Budget Authority	133.327	655.014	1,326.997
Outlays	121.523	602.835	1,227.828
Armed Services:			
Budget Authority	162.100	866.015	1,881.409
Outlays	162.432	862.246	1,878.163
Banking, Housing and Urban Affairs:			
Budget Authority	23.973	114.120	214.810
Outlays	1.767	–6.607	–44.043
Commerce, Science, and Transportation:			
Budget Authority	19.607	97.634	201.084
Outlays	14.227	78.264	153.420
Energy and Natural Resources:			
Budget Authority	3.635	21.597	44.402
Outlays	3.477	21.927	44.992
Environment and Public Works:			
Budget Authority	45.086	220.077	424.157
Outlays	2.593	12.994	25.832
Finance:			
Budget Authority	2,277.203	13,101.022	31,274.627
Outlays	2,262.047	13,073.093	31,233.186
Foreign Relations:			
Budget Authority	36.313	163.870	312.459
Outlays	30.758	149.512	296.865
Homeland Security and Government Affairs:			
Budget Authority	139.912	743.116	1,605.703
Outlays	138.197	730.847	1,571.469
Judiciary:			
Budget Authority	30.054	90.554	164.524
Outlays	16.069	94.016	171.897
Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions:			
Budget Authority	17.204	90.282	176.893
Outlays	15.841	89.820	183.421
Rules and Administration:			
Budget Authority	0.265	0.697	1.034
Outlays	0.236	0.565	0.799
Intelligence:			
Budget Authority	0.514	2.570	5.140
Outlays	0.514	2.570	5.140
Veterans' Affairs:			
Budget Authority	102.650	550.301	1,227.011
Outlays	108.091	557.468	1,233.262
Indian Affairs:			
Budget Authority	0.469	2.053	4.484
Outlays	0.829	3.038	5.263
Small Business:			
Budget Authority	0.000	0.000	0.000

ALLOCATION OF SPENDING AUTHORITY TO SENATE COMMITTEES OTHER THAN APPROPRIATIONS—Continued
[\$ billions]

	2017	2017–2021	2017–2026
Outlays	0.000	0.000	0.000
Unassigned to Committee:			
Budget Authority	– 844.671	– 4,649.869	– 10,724.965
Outlays	– 835.437	– 4,608.689	– 10,648.885
Total:			
Budget Authority	2,147.641	12,069.053	28,139.769
Outlays	2,043.164	11,663.899	27,338.609

Includes entitlements funded in annual appropriations acts.

PAY-AS-YOU-GO SCORECARD FOR THE SENATE
[\$ billions]

	Balances
Fiscal Years 2016 through 2021	0
Fiscal Years 2016 through 2026	0

TRIBUTE TO DR. ERICA TOWLE

Mr. THUNE. Mr. President, today I recognize Dr. Erica Towle, a Knauss Sea Grant fellow on the U.S. Senate Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation, for all of the hard work she has done for me, my staff, and other members of the committee over the past year. Dr. Towle received her Ph.D. in coral reef ecology from the University of Miami. In her post-graduate work, she has used her scientific expertise to inform public policy. I extend my sincere thanks and appreciation to Dr. Towle for all of the fine work she has done. I wish her continued success in the years to come.

ADDITIONAL STATEMENTS

100TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE BLUE WATER AREA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

• Mr. PETERS. Mr. President, today I wish to recognize the Blue Water Area Chamber of Commerce on the occasion of its 100th anniversary. The chamber was founded in 1906 by a group of businessowners and entrepreneurs in Port Huron who volunteered their time and financial resources to the growth of the greater Port Huron-Marysville community.

Within its first year, the chamber had accomplished its goal of encouraging economic growth with the addition of new factories and the establishment of an industrial enterprise fund. Its work attracted new business from around Michigan, Illinois, and Kentucky. By the time the chamber was officially incorporated in 1917, it had grown to 905 members. This expansion allowed the chamber to begin to improve the well-being of the Port Huron community, a tradition that continues to this day.

Throughout its history, the Blue Water Area Chamber of Commerce has been more than just a way to connect businesses in the Port Huron area. It continually advocates for the community. Over the past few years, the chamber has led initiatives that have addressed housing shortages, advocated for improved conditions in our schools through finance reform and millage

campaigns, and supported campaigns to improve our regional infrastructure. It has fought, time and time again, not just for better business, but for the prosperity of the entire Blue Water region.

Today the Blue Water Area Chamber of Commerce continues its great tradition of fostering economic prosperity and community improvement. The guiding force throughout the last century has been the chamber's five core values: integrity, relationships, freedom, excellence, and happiness. By adhering to these values, they have grown and continued to succeed. In 2007, the Blue Water Area Chamber of Commerce was awarded the Chamber of the Year Award from the Michigan Association of Chamber Professionals. It received this great honor again in 2010, for its continued and outstanding work in advocacy, education, and assistance programs to its community, a true testament to the membership and leadership. The growth we have seen in the Port Huron over the past few years has been remarkable, and the Blue Water Chamber has been a critical component of that success and progress.

I am pleased today to ask my colleagues to join me in recognizing such an auspicious milestone for the Blue Water Area Chamber of Commerce. On its 100th anniversary, the chamber and its members have much to celebrate, and I wish them continuing success and prosperity in the years ahead.●

MESSAGES FROM THE PRESIDENT

Messages from the President of the United States were communicated to the Senate by Ms. Ridgway, one of his secretaries.

EXECUTIVE MESSAGES REFERRED

As in executive session the Presiding Officer laid before the Senate messages from the President of the United States submitting sundry nominations and treaties which were referred to the appropriate committees.

(The messages received today are printed at the end of the Senate proceedings.)

MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE

At 3:02 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mrs. Cole, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House has passed the following bill, without amendment:

S. 84. An act to provide for an exception to a limitation against appointment of persons

as Secretary of Defense within seven years of relief from active duty as a regular commissioned officer of the Armed Forces.

The message further announced that the House has passed the following bills, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H.R. 78. An act to improve the consideration by the Securities and Exchange Commission of the costs and benefits of its regulations and orders.

H.R. 238. An act to reauthorize the Commodity Futures Trading Commission, to better protect futures customers, to provide end-users with market certainty, to make basic reforms to ensure transparency and accountability at the Commission, to help farmers, ranchers, and end-users manage risks, to help keep consumer costs low, and for other purposes.

The message also announced that the House has agreed to the following concurrent resolution, without amendment:

S. Con. Res. 3. Concurrent resolution setting forth the congressional budget for the United States Government for fiscal year 2017 and setting forth the appropriate budgetary levels for fiscal years 2018 through 2026.

The message further announced that pursuant to 15 U.S.C. 1024(a), and the order of the House of January 3, 2017, the Speaker appoints the following Members on the part of the House of Representatives to the Joint Economic Committee: Mr. Paulsen of Minnesota, Mr. Schweikert of Arizona, Mrs. Comstock of Virginia, Mr. LaHood of Illinois, Mr. Francis Rooney of Florida, Mrs. Carolyn Maloney of New York, Mr. Delaney of Maryland, Ms. Adams of North Carolina, and Mr. Beyer of Virginia.

MEASURES REFERRED

The following bills were read the first and the second times by unanimous consent, and referred as indicated:

H.R. 78. An act to improve the consideration by the Securities and Exchange Commission of the costs and benefits of its regulations and orders; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

H.R. 238. An act to reauthorize the Commodity Futures Trading Commission, to better protect futures customers, to provide end-users with market certainty, to make basic reforms to ensure transparency and accountability at the Commission, to help farmers, ranchers, and end-users manage risks, to help keep consumer costs low, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following reports of committees were submitted: